

# CITY OF DETROIT FISCAL 2003/04 BUDGET

## AGENCY 40 SENIOR CITIZENS

### MISSION

The mission of the Senior Citizens Department is to serve as an advocate through planning and research while monitoring and coordinating departments to provide direct and indirect service to our seniors. This will help ensure that the senior citizens population of our community is better able to attain and/or maintain lifelong dignity and independence.

### DESCRIPTION

The Mayor's Senior Citizens Commission – serves as advisory council to the Department by Ordinance; advises the Department and the Mayor on senior citizens' issues, problems and concerns; in concert with the Director; recommends actions and strategies to address the needs of the senior residents; and develops and submits Annual Report for the Mayor.

Planning/Research – provides technical assistance by performing, researching and planning activities as it relates to services and resources for seniors; develops reports on housing, health services, transportation, long and short term care, assessment reports of services; and other concerns which may impact upon city senior residents.

Education/Advocacy – addresses the needs and concerns of the elderly on behalf of the senior citizens and with the support of the Commission.

Administration – manages Department functions through staff and systems development, reporting and interdepartmental coordination.

### GOALS

1. Advocate federal, state and local policies and partnerships that will maximize the health, safety and welfare of Detroit's elderly citizens.
2. Conduct community outreach activities to effectively ascertain unmet needs and to inform about programs, policies and legislation affecting existing and future entitlements, benefits and services for the elderly.
3. Provide accurate, user friendly, efficient information and referral services for seniors.
4. Maximize Department resources for focused delivery of high quality, effective and cost efficient services.
5. Coordinate the development, implementation and evaluation of inter-departmental strategies to improve City services and housing for the elderly.

### DEPARTMENTAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

	GENERAL <u>FUND</u>	GENERAL <u>GRANT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
EXPENDITURES	\$1,290,599	\$1,038,273	\$2,328,872
REVENUES	<u>200,000</u>	<u>1,038,273</u>	<u>1,238,273</u>
NET TAX COST	\$1,090,599	\$ 0	\$1,090,599
POSITIONS	7	4	11